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In re Application of:

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Art Unit: 1711

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For: POLYBENZAZOLE ARTICLE AND PRODUCTION METHOD THEREOF

SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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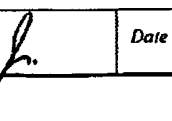
Signature		*Date*	June 21, 2004

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CLAIM AMENDMENTS

1. (Currently Amended) A polybenzazole article superior in light resistance, which comprises a polybenzazole and a light-resisting agent that allows for a regular reflectance of the article of not more than 30% in not less than 30% of the wavelength region of from 450 nm to 700 nm, wherein the light-resisting agent is at least one member selected from the group consisting of ~~aniline, *o*-phenylenediamine,~~ *m*-phenylenediamine, *p*-phenylenediamine, *o*-aminophenol, ~~*m*-aminophenol, *p*-aminophenol,~~ 2-amino-4-nitrophenol, 2-aminophenol-4-sulfonamide, and 1,8-diaminonaphthalene.

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2. (Original) The polybenzazole article of claim 1, wherein the light-resisting agent allows for a regular reflectance of the article of not more than 20% in not less than 10% of the wavelength region of from 450 nm to 700 nm.

3. (Original) The polybenzazole article of claim 1, which has a strength of not less than 35 g/d.

4. (Canceled)

5. (Canceled)

6. (Original) The polybenzazole article of claim 1, wherein the light-resisting agent is contained in a proportion of 0.01 to 20% by weight of the article.

7. (Canceled)

8. (Canceled)